

Dear FCC,

The purpose of this email is to request that the FCC reject the National Association of Broadcaster's petition seeking to stop XM satellite radio from broadcasting traffic and weather reports. I have been an XM radio subscriber for approximately one year, and I listen exclusively only to XM radio in my car. XM radio provides a wide variety of programming not available outside of satellite radio, and their programming fits my needs far better than that of their major competitor, Sirius radio. Because XM radio is the only thing I listen to in my car, I have XM's weather channel programmed as one of my "select" channels. I live in Minnesota, and being aware of the ever changing weather conditions is a necessity of life in this state.

I consider this to be vital information that XM provides, and I do not want this programming to be removed or prohibited in any way. Also, XM radio provides traffic channels. While not yet available for the Minneapolis area, I check the XM radio website weekly for updates and will program that channel in as well. I am especially excited about this feature, and have used it to encourage my friend and co-workers to consider XM radio for themselves.

I love my XM radio. I love listening to the music I want to listen to, and I love knowing who is playing at any given time. I love the freedom of having a broad selection of artists and genres to choose from. I pay \$10 a month for the privilege of being an XM radio listener. I do not believe that XM satellite radio should be prohibited or restricted in any way from providing local content to its listeners, especially when such content may save lives (as weather and traffic updates may do).

I urge you to reject the NAB's petition #04-160. And, if you haven't done so already, I urge you to give XM radio a try. You'll be glad you did!

Respectfully,  
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